



# Tobacco Prevention Resources

## Tobacco-Free School Policy Supportive Arguments



- **World Health Organization (WHO) Information Series on School Health**  
Tobacco Use Prevention: An Important Entry Point for the Development of  
Health Promoting Schools  
World Health Organization  
Geneva, 1999  
[http://www.who.int/school\\_youth\\_health/media/en/89.pdf](http://www.who.int/school_youth_health/media/en/89.pdf)
  
  - **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Guidelines for School Health**  
Programs to Prevent Tobacco Use and Addiction  
MMWR 1994; 43 (No. RR-2):[1-18]  
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00026213.htm>
  
  - **CDC's Guidelines for School Health Programs: Preventing Tobacco Use and Addiction, At-A-Glance**  
June 1997  
[http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/sgr/sgr\\_1994/94oshaag.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/sgr/sgr_1994/94oshaag.htm)
- More at <http://www.cdc.gov/>
- **Benefits of School Policy on Tobacco Use**
    - (Since) many students begin using tobacco before high school and impressions about tobacco use are formed even earlier, tobacco use prevention education must be provided in elementary school and continued through middle and high school grades (CDC 1999).
    - Policies that prohibit tobacco use on school property, require prevention education, and provide access to cessation programs rather than solely instituting punitive measures, are most effective in reducing tobacco use among students (CDC 1994).

